

## General Assembly

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## Raised Bill No. 6812

LCO No. 3911

Referred to Committee on Labor and Public Employees

Introduced by: (LAB)

## AN ACT CONCERNING THE UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION FUND.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- Subsection (f) of section 31-225a of the general statutes is repealed
- 2 and the following is substituted in lieu thereof:
- 3 [(f) For each calendar year commencing with calendar year 1994, 4 the]
- 5 (f) (1) (A) For the calendar year commencing on January 1, 2001, the
- 6 administrator shall establish a fund balance tax rate sufficient to
- 7 maintain a balance in the Unemployment Compensation Trust Fund
- 8 equal to eight-tenths of one per cent of the total wages paid to workers
- 9 covered under this chapter by contributing employers during the year
- 10 ending the last preceding June thirtieth.
- 11 (B) For the calendar year commencing on January 1, 2002, the
- 12 administrator shall establish a fund balance tax rate sufficient to
- maintain a balance in the Unemployment Compensation Trust Fund
- 14 equal to one per cent of the total wages paid to workers covered under

- this chapter by contributing employers during the year ending the last preceding June thirtieth.
- (C) For any calendar year commencing on or after January 1, 2003, the administrator shall establish a fund balance tax rate sufficient to maintain a balance in the Unemployment Compensation Trust Fund equal to one and two-tenths per cent of the total wages paid to workers covered under this chapter by contributing employers during the year
- 22 ending the last preceding June thirtieth.
- (D) For any calendar year commencing on or after January 1, 2004, the administrator shall establish a fund balance tax rate sufficient to maintain a balance in the Unemployment Compensation Trust Fund equal to one and four-tenths per cent of the total wages paid to workers covered under this chapter by contributing employers during the year ending the last preceding June thirtieth.
- (E) If the fund balance tax rate established by the administrator results in a fund balance in excess of said per cent as of December thirtieth of any year, the administrator shall, in the year next following, establish a fund balance tax rate sufficient to eliminate the fund balance in excess of said per cent.
- 34 (2) (A) The assessment levied by the administrator [at any time (A) during a calendar year commencing on or after January 1, 1994, but prior to January 1, 1999, shall not exceed one and five-tenths per cent, (B) during a] for the calendar year commencing on [or after] January 1, [1999] 2001, shall not exceed one and four-tenths per cent, and [(C)] shall not be calculated to result in a fund balance in excess of eight-tenths of one per cent of such total wages.
- (B) The assessment levied by the administrator for the calendar year commencing on January 1, 2002, shall not exceed one and four-tenths per cent and shall not be calculated to result in a fund balance in excess of one per cent of such total wages.

46 commencing on January 1, 2003, shall not exceed one and four-tenths

- 47 per cent and shall not be calculated to result in a fund balance in excess
- of one and two-tenths per cent of such total wages.
- 49 (D) The assessment levied by the administrator for any calendar
- 50 year commencing on or after January 1, 2004, shall not exceed one and
- 51 four-tenths per cent and shall not be calculated to result in a fund
- 52 <u>balance in excess of one and four-tenths per cent of such total wages.</u>

## Statement of Purpose:

To gradually increase the Unemployment Compensation Trust Fund solvency cap from eight-tenths of one per cent of the total wages paid to workers to one and four-tenths per cent of the total wages paid to workers.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]